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AN ACT

**RELATING TO TRANSITIONAL COACHING AUTHORIZATIONS ISSUED BY
THE BOARD OF EDUCATIONAL EXAMINERS AND MAKING PENALTIES
APPLICABLE.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 272.2, subsection 14, paragraph b, subparagraph (2), Code 2016, is amended to read as follows:

(2) The applicant is less than twenty-one years of age except as provided in [section 272.31, subsection 1](#), ~~paragraph "e"~~. However, a student enrolled in a practitioner preparation program who meets board requirements for a temporary, limited-purpose license who is seeking to teach as part of a practicum or internship may be less than twenty-one years of age.

Sec. 2. Section 272.31, subsection 1, Code 2016, is amended to read as follows:

1. a. The Except as provided in paragraph "b", the minimum requirements for the board to award issue a coaching authorization to an applicant are:

~~a.~~ (1) Successful completion of one semester credit hour or ten contact hours in a course relating to knowledge and understanding of the structure and function of the human body in relation to physical activity.

~~b.~~ (2) Successful completion of one semester credit hour or ten contact hours in a course relating to knowledge and understanding of human growth and development of children and youth in relation to physical activity.

~~c.~~ (3) Successful completion of two semester credit hours or twenty contact hours in a course relating to knowledge and understanding of the prevention and care of athletic injuries and medical and safety problems relating to physical activity.

~~d.~~ (4) Successful completion of one semester credit hour or ten contact hours relating to knowledge and understanding of the techniques and theory of coaching interscholastic athletics.

~~e.~~ (5) Attainment of at least eighteen years of age.

b. The board shall issue a transitional coaching authorization to an individual who is at least twenty-one years of age and who provides verification of an offer of a coaching position by a school or a consortium of schools, but who has not completed the coursework required for a coaching authorization as specified in paragraph "a". A transitional coaching authorization is valid for not more than one year, shall not be renewed, and is valid only in the school or consortium of schools making the offer of the coaching position. A consortium of schools may include a school district, a school district school attendance center, or an accredited nonpublic school, or any combination thereof. However, prior to issuing a transitional coaching authorization to an individual under this paragraph "b", the board shall ensure that the individual meets all of the following requirements:

(1) Completes a shortened course of training relating to the code of professional rights and responsibilities, practices, and ethics developed in accordance with section

272.2, subsection 1, paragraph "a", by the board specifically for transitional coaches.

(2) Completes the child and dependent adult abuse mandatory reporter training required by sections 232.69 and 235B.16.

(3) Completes a nationally recognized concussion in youth sports training course.

(4) Complies with the background investigation requirements established by the board pursuant to section 272.2, subsection 17.

Sec. 3. Section 279.19B, subsection 1, paragraph a, subparagraph (2), Code 2016, is amended to read as follows:

(2) A qualified individual who meets the requirements of section 272.31, subsection 1, paragraph "a", and possesses a coaching authorization issued by the board of educational examiners.

Sec. 4. Section 279.19B, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code 2016, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:

NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (3) A qualified individual who meets the requirements of section 272.31, subsection 1, paragraph "b", and possesses a transitional coaching authorization issued by the board of educational examiners.

Sec. 5. Section 279.19B, Code 2016, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. For the first two weeks of employment as a transitional coach and for the first extracurricular interscholastic athletic contest or competition sponsored by an organization as defined in section 280.13, the individual shall be supervised by a certified athletic director, administrator, or other practitioner in a supervisory role. If the individual performs to the supervising practitioner's satisfaction, the supervising practitioner shall sign and date an evaluation form provided by the organization to certify that the individual meets expectations to work with student athletes as a transitional coach. The organization shall develop and offer on its internet site an evaluation form that meets the requirements of this subsection.

Sec. 6. Section 709.15, subsection 1, paragraph f, Code 2016, is amended to read as follows:

f. "School employee" means a practitioner as defined in section 272.1 or a person issued a coaching authorization or a transitional coaching authorization under section 272.31, subsection 1.

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I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 228, Eighty-sixth General Assembly.

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Approved _____, 2016

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